House Resolution No. 565

Whereas, Matthew James Rich of Boy Scout Troop 314 will receive the prestigious Eagle Scout Award during a Court of Honor ceremony on March 10, 2002, at Platte Woods United Methodist Church; and

Whereas, a resident of Kansas City, Missouri, Matthew has earned the praise, respect, and admiration of many for the enthusiasm and initiative he displayed while working on his Eagle Project which involved pouring a concrete pad for the trash dumpster and building a privacy fence around it at Park Hill Christian Church; and

Whereas, since launching his Scouting career, Matthew has proceeded to participate in such major activities as attending H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation for five years and going on a Packard High Adventure trip; and

Whereas, the son of James O. and Debra A. Rich, and the brother of Ashley, Matthew has demonstrated remarkable competence in performing the duties of Patrol Leader, Assistant Patrol Leader, Scribe, and Instructor; and

Whereas, during his years in Scouting, Matthew has compiled an impressive list of achievements that includes earning the Bear Claw, the God and Family award, the Arrow of Light, thirty-two merit badges, Brotherhood membership in the Order of the Arrow, and the status of Warrior in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say; and

Whereas, Matthew's achievements have enhanced a proud family Scouting tradition characterized by the success of his uncle, Eagle Scout Harry Kent Rich; and

Whereas, a member of the Park Hill Christian Church, Matthew is in his sophomore year at Park Hill High School, where he has also enjoyed recognition by participating in football and track and earning letters in varsity football and academics:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, join unanimously in congratulating Matthew Rich as he is honored with Scouting's highest advancement award and in wishing him only the best as he continues to prepare himself for the exciting challenges that adult life has to offer; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Eagle Scout Matthew James Rich.

Offered by

Representative Meg Harding
District No. 30

I, Jim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives,

Ninety-first General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 565, adopted March 6, 2002.